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SUBJECT: IRANIAN INTEREST IN IRAQI BA' ATHIST AND COMMUNIST
AGREEMENT

1. MFA SECRETARIAT DIRECTOR GENERAL NADIM CALLED ME TO
MFA MAY 22 TO DISCUSS AFP WIRE SERVICE REPORT DATED
MAY 19 OUT OF BEIRUT TO EFFECT IRAQI BA' ATHIST GOVERN-
MENT AND LOCAL
COMMUNIST PARTY HAD REACHED FURTHER
AGREEMENT ON POLITICAL ACCOMMODATION. ACCORDING TO
THIS REPORT IRAQI COMMUNISTS AND BA' ATHISTS HAD AGREED
ON DIVISION OF SEATS IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY. FORMULA, WHICH
NOT SPECIFIED, ALSO APPLIED TO LABOR UNIONS AND STUDENT
FEDERATIONS. NADIM CITED THIS REPORT AS FURTHER EXAMPLE
OF INCREASING SOVIET INFLUENCE ON BA' ATHISTS IN ORDER
PROMOTE IRAQI COMMUNISTS' EFFORTS INFILTRATE IRAQI
GOVERNMENT. NADIM ASKED WHETHER WE COULD THROW ANY
LIGHT ON ACCURACY OF THIS REPORT AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE.

2. ACTION REQUESTED: APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION
DEPARTMENT, BEIRUT OR BAGHDAD CAN PROVIDE TO PASS TO
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